

Patent *TF*Attorney's Docket No. 1018775-000794**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Patent Application of)	
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Application No.: 09/599,598)	Examiner: ISHRAT I. SHERALI
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RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Date: September 11, 2006

Sir:

This election is filed in response to the Office Action dated August 10, 2006 (Paper No. 20060807). In the Office Action, the Examiner identified two (2) distinct species. The Examiner required the Applicant, under 35 U.S.C. 121, to elect a single embodiment for prosecution. The two embodiments identified by the Examiner are:

Species 1. Figure 4; and
Species 2. Figure 5.

During a telephone conference with the Examiner on September 1, 2006, it was agreed to change the election to:

Species 1. Claims 1, 10, 12 and 21; or
Species 2. Claims 5, 11 and 16.

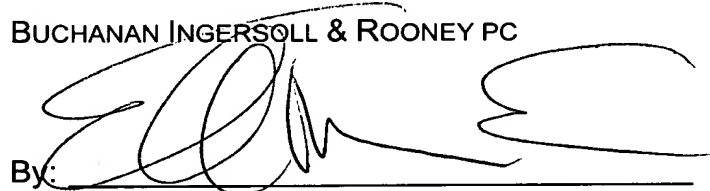
Pursuant to the Examiner's requirement, the Applicants elect Species 1, Claims 1-4, 10, 12-15 and 21-22, 24, 26 and 28. Applicants understand that claims 5, 7-9, 11, 16-20, 23, 25 and 27 will be withdrawn from prosecution. Applicants reserve the right to file divisional applications.

An earlier examination and favorable action on claims 1-4, 10, 12-15, 21-22, 24, 26 and 28 are respectfully requested.

In the event this paper is not considered to be timely filed, Applicants hereby petition for an appropriate extension of time. The Commissioner is authorized to charge payment for any additional fees which may be required with respect to this paper to our Deposit Account No. 02-4800.

Respectfully submitted,

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